

OFF THE SHELF



Twin Cities Area Church Library Association

Mission Statement: To energize Church Library Ministry through education, resource sharing, spiritual encouragement and fellowship.

Fall 2013

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TCACLA Fall Workshop: "Learn and Energize"

Saturday, October 12, 8:30 am – 1:30 pm

Glen Cary Lutheran Church

15531 Central Avenue North (Hwy 65)

Ham Lake, MN

**Juliana Howard, retreat presenter and
author of "Catie the Copycat,"
has selected the title "Can You Hear
Me Now?"
for her motivational message.**



Juliana welcomes the opportunity to offer her creative gifts to inspire listeners to believe in themselves, to embrace their unique gifts, and to see a future filled with promise and hope.

Juliana's presentation will weave together reading of her book, poetry, movement, shared reflection, music with her ukulele, and prayer. Her goal is that participants will be able to hear more clearly what God has in mind for each of us, and to feel more confident in using our gifts. And we'll also have fun!

This is an invitation to all members of your church library team, whether experienced or new. Join others from churches across the metro Twin Cities area for a truly special day.

Read about other features of this workshop day on other pages of the newsletter.



General Information

TCACLA is a non-profit support organization serving church librarians. Membership is open to individuals and churches of all Christian denominations that desire to network with others on library development.

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Chapter Web Page

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Book Reviews

One of the benefits of belonging to TCACLA is the opportunity to exchange information with other church librarians. If your library publishes book reviews for your congregations, please consider sharing them with the "Off the Shelf" editor.

Membership Information

A 2014 new/renewal membership form is included in this issue of "Off the Shelf" if you want to pay the 2014 dues with funds in your 2013 budget. It's not necessary to pay your dues for next year at this time, however. The form will be included again in the Winter issue.

If your church isn't currently a member of TCACLA and you join now, you can attend the Fall 2013 meeting, along with all of the 2014 meetings, at the member rate. In addition, you will receive a free copy of *A Handbook for Church Librarians*.

Coming September 10 - Our new Website

You will be able to find lots of information from our group at www.tcaccla.com. You will find the latest information on group activities, registration forms, back issues of OTS and much more. Sign up on the page, to receive notice of our posts.

Remember to send us some photos and a brief write up about your library so we can feature it.



Treasurer's Report

03/03/2013	29 Church Members, 1 Individual
\$ 24.00	2013 Dues
<u>\$ 1,148.00</u>	Meeting Registration
\$ 1,172.00	
\$ (10.17)	Web Page
\$(1,178.00)	Spring Meeting
<u>\$ (35.09)</u>	Spring OTS
\$ (1223.26)	
08/31/2013	\$ 881.27



Fall Workshop Schedule

8:30-9:00a	Registration, beverages and snacks; Book Swap
9:00-9:20a	Welcome and Devotions; Business meeting
9:20-10:00a	"Can You Hear Me Now?" -- Juliana Howard, featured speaker
10:00-10:30a	Break, with Church Library open, Book Swap, networking
10:30-11:15a	Break-out user-group sessions to discuss church library software
11:15-12:15p	Panel: "Managing Your Church Library"
12:15-1:00p	Luncheon
1:00-1:30p	Presentation on new/popular books – Lifeway Christian Store

MEMBER PARTICIPATION AT FALL WORKSHOP

Break-out Sessions to discuss church library software

"I didn't know the program could do that!" "That will save me so much time!" "Wonderful!" We expect these are comments you'll make! As you know, it is invaluable to be able to talk with others who use the same software. At the fall workshop there will be a block of time for each "user group" to meet and discuss every-day use and enhancements of church library software programs, e.g. ResourceMate, Library Thing, Library World, and Surpass. So bring both questions and solutions to share. Listening in on one of these discussions will also be helpful to individuals considering automation.

Panel discussion on managing a church library

Summary information on a variety of topics will be presented by five of our "in-house" experts. Volunteers (Thank you!) are: Sandra Johnson, Lynn Tvedt, Deanna Gordon, Marlys Johnson, and Laura Winter. Topics will include creative promotion ideas, how to select adult fiction, "Church Libraries 101," weeding, handling overdue books, and how to put the "fun" in fund-raising. You're sure to come away with their enthusiasm and with new ideas. Member input will be encouraged.





Glen Cary Lutheran Church derives its name from the town of Glen Carey which was settled in 1856. A few houses were built; a bill was introduced in the state legislature to make Glen Carey the seat of Anoka County. Opposition of the citizens of Anoka prevailed however, and the bill was defeated. Sometime later a prairie fire

swept through the area, leveling the town and leaving its name to be preserved only in the name of the church.

The congregation itself was established on October 24, 1870. Early settlers were predominantly Norwegian and Swedish. In the first years, “meetings” were held in homes. In 1873 space was cleared, timbers hauled in by oxen and construction of the first church building located just north of the present building was begun.

As the congregation grew throughout the years, the little white church started to bulge at the seams. In 1960 the present church structure was completed with two remodelings and additions that now give us our present church building.

Directions to Glen Cary Lutheran Church

From the South:

Hwy 35W to Exit 32 (95th Avenue, toward National Sports Center)

At top of exit, take a right onto 95th Avenue, which turns into Radisson Road.

Stay on Radisson Road to Bunker Lake Blvd (about 7.1 miles)

Turn left onto Bunker Lake Blvd NE. (go about 1 mile)

Turn right onto Highway 65 N (about 2 miles)

Turn left onto 153rd Avenue NE (384 ft.)

At stop sign, turn right onto Central Avenue NE.

Glen Cary Lutheran Church will be on the right side. There are two parking lots, one on the south side and another on the north side church.

From the North

Follow Highway 65 south to 157th Avenue NE. Turn right.

At stop sign, turn left onto Central Avenue NE

Glen Cary Lutheran Church will be on the left side. There are two parking lots, one on the north side and another on the south of the church.



Books Worth a Look



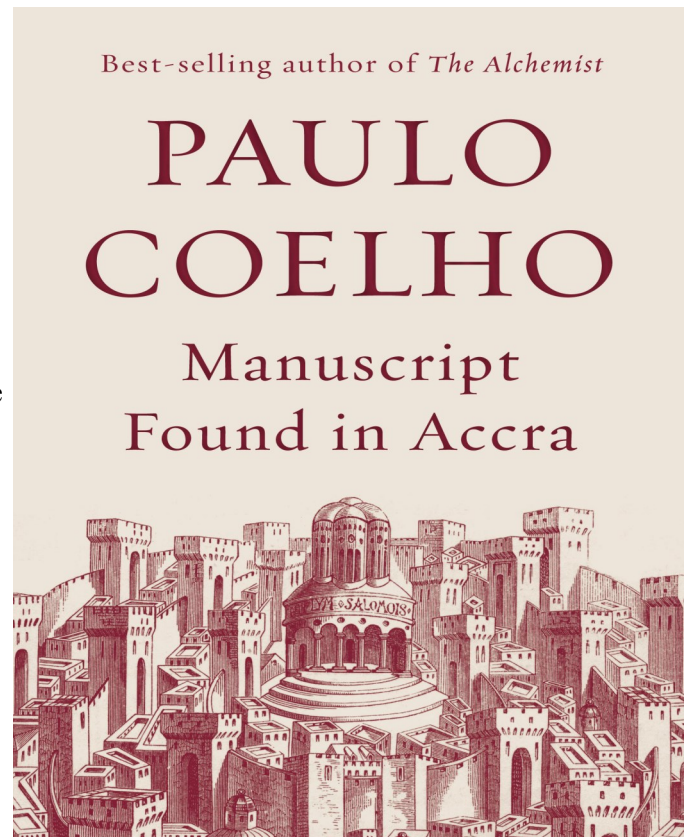
The Tutor's Daughter - Julie Klassen

When her widowed father agrees to tutor a baronet's four sons, Emma finds herself living in a grand Cornwall manor---and confronting an eerie mystery. Who's sneaking into her room at night? Who tears a page from her journal, only to return it with a chilling illustration? Can she identify the culprit before it's too late?

Manuscript Found In Accra - Paulo Coelho

Coelho's quietly beautiful book is difficult to categorize. Unlike many of his novels, it is not an allegory, nor does it revolve around a mystical or physical pilgrimage. Instead, it consists of a series of queries posed by a population under siege and the powerfully simple, yet evocative, answers provided by an essentially unidentified wise man. As Jerusalem is surrounded by belligerent Crusaders in AD 1099, its diverse citizens—Jews, Muslims, and Christians, who have lived together in peace for centuries—gather in the square to seek the counsel of the Greek, known familiarly as the Copt. The Copt advises them to speak of their daily lives and search their hearts, minds, and souls for questions pertaining to universal truths. As the Copt thoughtfully answers questions posed about a variety of everyday subjects, including solitude, love, utility, luck, miracles, beauty, sex, anxiety, grace, and elegance, he bequeaths to his audience an “invisible sword” with which to fight intolerance and ignorance. HIGH-DEMAND

BACKSTORY: The sublime Coelho continues to break stylistic boundaries with this series of spiritual musings grounded more in history and morality than in his trademark brand of mysticism.



Opportunity to become an Officer

This is a great time to increase your involvement and become an officer as we move forward as TCACLA, a time to be involved in new plans, more programs and continuing education for church librarians. We are all looking forward to strengthening and expanding our organization, and yet we all know this cannot be done without dedicated volunteers and loyal members.

Every year we need two officers who will serve for two years on the board. This 2013 fall we need your nominations for a President and a Secretary. Here are the job descriptions as defined in the Bylaws:

The President will send out meeting announcements, distribute copies of minutes and the Agendas to each Board member, convene regularly scheduled Board meetings, and preside at each Board and membership meeting. In the event the President is not able to preside at a meeting, she/he will arrange for another member of the Board to preside at the meeting in the following order: Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer.

The Secretary shall be responsible for keeping records of Board actions, taking of minutes at all Association and Board meetings, and distributing said minutes.

The board meets only two or three times a year and the membership meetings are three times a year. The commitment isn't overwhelming but we want you to enjoy your job. If you are not comfortable taking minutes at a meeting, you might make a great president! Please consider this an opportunity to serve with an organization that you have been a part of and know its worth. We cannot survive without you!

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request.



MEETING REGISTRATION FORM

Must pre-register prior to October 7 for the meeting

Your Church name _____

City _____

Name(s) of person(s) attending _____

Number of **TCAC member** registrants: _____ x **\$12.00** = _____

Number of **non-member** registrants: _____ x **\$15.00** = _____

Write check payable to: TCACLA.

Mail registration form and checks to:

Laura Dirks, 333 8th Street SE, Apt. 206, Minneapolis, MN 55414-1246.

A Time with Lauraine Snelling



On August 27th some of us had the opportunity to visit with Lauraine at the Lifeway store in Burnsville. As hot and uncomfortable as the evening was, she shared much. She started out writing books about horses and later was switched to other areas by her publisher. She signed copies of her current book and talked about how ideas came to her that resulted in the new stand alone book coming out in October, *Wake the Dawn*. She also talked about a new series she is working on based on the old classic hymns. This is sure to be yet another winner for her. She will be at Huisfest this Fall and is leading a trip to Scandinavia next Summer. This would be a great opportunity for any one wanting to visit. She is a lady of boundless energy and enthusiasm. She is also very Norwegian!





**Don't miss the
January Meeting**

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